## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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SACCO, et al.

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Title: TRANSGENIC ANIMALS FOR THE STUDY OF BIOLOGICAL, PHYSICAL AND

CHEMICAL TOXIC AGENTS

## **PETITION UNDER 37 CFR 1.47**

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**Assistant Commissioner for Patents** 

Washington, DC 20231

Serial No.: 09/486,660

Sir:

The subject U.S. patent application names six inventors, one of whom -Romeo RONCUCCI - is deceased. A Declaration and Power of Attorney form executed by the five living inventors is being submitted concurrently herewith, as are a Declaration and Power of Attorney form executed by Sylive RONCUCCI, one of the four heirs of Romeo RONCUCCI, and a Declaration and Power of Attorney form executed by Maria Novella CASTAGNOLI, guardian of Rachele and Regine RONCUCCI, two heirs of Romeo RONCUCCI. The guardian of the fourth heir of Romeo RONCUCCI, Roxanne RONCUCCI, is Anne Georgette Cristiane DELACHET.

Applicants have not been able to obtain execution of a Declaration and Power of

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Attorney form by Ms. Delachet. Enclosed is a Declaration under 37 CFR 1.132 by

Peter Bromley, explaining and attesting to the inability to obtain execution by Ms.

Delachet on behalf of Roxanne RONCUCCI.

Applicants respectfully petition under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.47 that the

subject U.S. patent application be accepted and processed by the USPTO in order to

preserve the rights of the parties and to prevent irreparable damage. The fee set

forth in 37 CFR 1.17(i) accompanies this Petition.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and

future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No.

02-2448 for any additional fee required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17; particularly,

extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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Encl.: Bromley Declaration

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